

Our Redeemer Lutheran School Closings & Cancellations

It is the decision of the principal to close school when poor weather conditions exist. The following general guidelines are used at Our Redeemer when making this decision:

1. Because some faculty members and students travel long distances, a decision to close school will be made prior to 6:45 a.m.
2. ORLS will take the following cues to close school:
 - a. If **Madison Metropolitan School District** closes (which is rare), we close.
 - b. If either **Verona** or **Cross Plains/Middleton** close, we close.
3. Because of car-pooling and work schedules, decisions to delay school starting times will be avoided. We graciously yield to parental discretion as to their late arrival or non-arrival as circumstances might dictate. Absences will not be marked for weather related causes. Parents should inform the school of any transportation conflicts. All missed school work should be made up promptly by the student.
4. If school is canceled for the day, the following stations will be used to inform parents:

Radio

WIBA 1310 AM
WMGN-FM 98.1

Television

WKOW Channel 27
WISC-TV Channel 3
WMTV Channel 15

Not all stations list the school's name at the same time. It is always a good idea to check several different sources for possible school closings. Historically, Channel 3 has been the fastest at posting our school's closing.

5. School will not be closed when it is already in progress because of the overall difficulty of contacting parents and arranging schedules and pick-up times. We will yield to parental discretion for those who wish to pick up their children before the end of the school day. Absences will not be marked. Please avoid making phone calls to the school office to ask if school will be closed.
6. The cancellation of a school day will also include the cancellation of any ORLS extra-curricular activities scheduled that day.
7. If school is canceled on a day when hot lunch meals are scheduled, the meals will be rescheduled with notification given in the next *Ranger News*. The meal coordinator will initiate a call to the local vendor to cancel the current order.
8. The principal will initiate necessary calls going to the faculty and staff.